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## **MSA COURT OF ENQUIRY 1092**

**ENQUIRY INTO THE ALLEGED ALLEGATIONS MADE BY MR. SHERRATT FOLLOWING THE REGIONAL KARTING EVENT HELD AT IDUBE RACEWAY ON 5 FEBRUARY 2012. HEARING HELD AT THE MSA KZN OFFICE, 30 BLUE HEIGHTS CENTRE, 7 WESTVILLE ROAD, WESTVILLE, AT 17H00 ON WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY 2012.**

<b>Present:</b>	Wally Pappas	-	Court President
	Mikey Skelton	-	Court Member
	Jim McFarlane	-	Court Member
	Gary Sherratt	-	Father of Jordyn Sherratt
	Gordon Swanepoel	-	Father of Matthew Swanepoel
	Julian Lurie	-	Clerk of the Course
	Willie Bloem	-	MSA Steward
	Craig Wing	-	Witness
	P Canderle	-	Witness
	Leigh Dewar	-	MSA – Court Scribe



The President introduced himself and the Court Members. There were no objections to the composition of the Court.

### **The Hearing**

The Court raised the issue of a letter that Mr. Sherratt had given to the previous Court, and asked him to please clarify what he had documented. The Court then gave all parties present an opportunity to address the court regarding the issues raised by Mr. Sherratt. The Court then considered all evidence that it was presented with.

Mr. Sherratt had said that he wrote the letter the next day after the event because he was upset with what happened on race day, but the Court found that he only sent the letter to MSA on the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2012. Mr. Sherratt had no answer to this.

Mr. van Staden the club secretary admitted that he had not checked the validity of Matthew Swanepoel entry. Mr. van Staden is employed by the club and not Mr. Swanepoel, who is only the club Chairman.

Mr. Lurie and Mr. Bloem did state that they had no problem with Mr. Sherratt although they found it strange, that he accused them of taking sides because of the utterance of the words “watch your back” when all they were doing was telling him to be careful.

### **Findings:**

The Court after having heard the evidence and the submissions finds that Mr. van Staden is given a 3 month suspended sentence of which suspension is suspended for 6 months.



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**Directors: S. E. Miller (Chairman), A. Taylor (Financial), J. du Toit, M. du Toit, P. du Toit, D. Lobb, N. McCann, C. Pienaar, B. Sipuka, D. Somerset, L. Steyn – Hon. Presidents : T. Kilburn, Mrs. B. Schoeman**

Mr. Sherratt is fined an amount of R2000.00 and his licence is suspended for 1 year on condition he is not found guilty in having contravened any GCR and SSR within this period.

**All parties are advised of their rights to appeal to a MSA Court of Appeal**

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